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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

Your suggestion for the possibility of using SV40 is an interesting one. We are checking now and should know next week whether or not it induces an arginase. I talked with Dulbecco; he had looked 2 or 3 years ago at polyoma but has never looked at SV40.

For the past few days we have been going through legal and governmental mumbo-jumbo but it appears now that things are straightened out simply. I have heard from the people in Bern and Belgium, who are both quite interested and enthusiastic over trying the virus, but have not yet heard from the people in Cologne. One reason for this is that their address in Nature was inaccurate and the other presumably is that they may be having the same legal and other thoughts that the people have here and elsewhere.

Norman Anderson's group just purified a large batch of the virus using his zonal system. Using electron microscopy, it appears completely clean. The people in Belgium, Dr. van Sande, has cell lines derived from these kids in culture. We will certainly try these first, as you also suggested.

I will continue to keep you informed. Thanks again.

Best regards.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Stanfield Rogers", written in a cursive style.

Stanfield Rogers  
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